

Wild Idaho

Appeal Letter

June 5, 2021

This is my appeal and request for reconsideration related to the results of your "final decision" related to hunt number 1157.

Just a quick glance at "step 1", SCREAMS something is wrong. Do you honestly believe that only 1 out of (evidently 8) outfitters with allocated tags used those tags? Oddly enough, that 1 outfitter that did report correctly is a current board member. Nothing to see here folks.

So, let's just look at outfitter A. They claim zero allocated use, but 6 non allocated tags used in 2019 and then 7 allocated tags used in 2020, but no additional tags. Did anyone stop to think that maybe there was something up with the reporting?

Look at outfitter K. Same thing only 11 used the second year. My guess simply based on the information on these charts is that outfitter K had an allocation of 11 and was simply reporting incorrectly in 2019. I sure know that I did.

I used all my allocated tags plus some draw tags and simply reported incorrectly on the R-4 form for both 2019 and 2020. I will own that mistake, but what you need to understand about me making this appeal, is that I have nothing to gain and only a potential for loss.

I gained a tag and preserved my allocation, which was my goal all along. If there were additional tags allocated by the F&G commission, obviously I would love to be a beneficiary of some of those.

My main and only purpose for this appeal is see that NO ONE lose tags because of your laziness or stubbornness (let's go with stubbornness because it sounds softer than calling y'all a bunch of lazy yeller Cur's), or their inadvertent incorrect reporting.

You see, we have been reporting this hunt for many years. I for one, had no idea that the hunt number changed in 2019. Looking at step 1 on your report tells me that at least 7 other outfitters had no idea either.

I am on record as being an ardent opponent of relying solely on use reports for the actual numbers, in my mind, this (or any controlled hunt for that matter) would be the easiest hunts to confirm use of allocated tags. It is/was my understanding as well that you would rely on use reports or "best possible numbers". Admittedly I have not read the newest version of the "new and improved allocation bill" that superseded the horrible first attempt at a "new and improved allocation bill" albeit this one still stinks!

Let me explain:

Allocated "vouchers" come in 2-part blue and white paper with a large red "control" number that is probably accounted for before it ever leaves your possession. It is sent to the outfitter with the outfitters name and license number already on it.

Next, that voucher is filled out with a hunter's name and address along with an "outfitter certification" form (this is an IDFG form) and submitted to IDFG for the controlled hunt in question by the outfitter.

IDFG does their part and takes our (the hunter's money) and issues a tag with what I assume would be a copy of the voucher control number somewhere on that tag. At the very least, they write it on the outfitter certification and hand that back to the outfitter WITH the blue copy of the voucher submitted and I assume they keep the white copy which allegedly makes it full circle back to you folks.

Now, that is a large paperwork trail that seems like at some point could be verified by the licensing board if you were so inclined.

Finally, there are only 73 tags allocated to nonresidents as draw tags. It is a mathematical improbability for us to acquire the lion's share of those tags for outfitter use only.

For the fact that the reports were wrong and that "probably" everyone used their allocated tags, I would request that you reconsider the number related to this and any other controlled hunts where this approach was taken without taking the time to verify voucher use.

Sincerely,

George McQuiston

DA, Wild Idaho Outfitters, Inc

Lori K. Thomason

From: George McQuiston <George@WildIdahoOutfitters.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 06, 2021 9:18 AM
To: The Idaho Outfitters & Guides Licensing Board
Cc: joan@naylorhales.com; Lori K. Thomason
Subject: Appeal top board decision related to control hunt number 1157
Attachments: Appeal to numbers related to controlled hunts in general but specifically 1157.pdf

Attached is my appeal to controlled hunt numbers. I am in backcountry from today until July 1 and cannot be reached except through Monica by satellite text.

Have a Great Day!

George McQuiston
Owner / Guide



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Notice OF Objection

Controlled Hunt

#1157

BEFORE THE OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES LICENSING BOARD

STATE OF IDAHO

In the Matter of the Designation of
Allocated Tags for Controlled Hunt 1157

Wild Idaho Outfitters, LLC
License No. 14245

Petitioner/Objector,

NOTICE OF OBJECTION

YOU AND EACH OF YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board ("Board") received an objection to the calculation for the designation of allocated tags for the following hunt:

- Controlled Hunt No. 1157

The objection will be considered pursuant to the provisions of IDAPA 24.35.01.057.10. The objecting outfitter also appears to have submitted this matter as a petition for reconsideration pursuant to I.C. § 67-5246(4). The objection/petition can be accessed on the Board's website under the Allocated Tags link and selecting 2021 Objections to Calculations.

YOU ARE FURTHER ADVISED that as an outfitter in this hunt, you have the right to this notice. If you wish the Board to consider any additional information pertaining to the hunt you are in, you must submit the information on or before Friday, June 11, 2021 through email at oglb.allocation@oglb.idaho.gov or fax at 208-488-7528.

The Board will take this matter up at its Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Mountain Time. Agenda and attendance information through Zoom/teleconference/video conference or in person is available through the Board's website.

YOU ARE ADVISED that all further communication in this matter will be done by email, unless you notify us in writing that you want to receive communications by mail or fax.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 8th day of June, 2021, I caused to be served, by the method(s) indicated, a true and correct copy of the foregoing upon:

Bighorn Outfitters, Inc., #9540	:	U.S. Mail X
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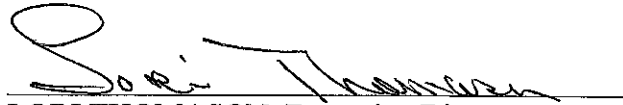
NOTICE OF OBJECTION - 2.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lori Thomason", written over a horizontal line.

LORI THOMASON, Executive Director
Idaho Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board

Hunt #1157

Calculation

Hunt No.	Tag Type
	1157 Deer
Total Alloc. Tags:	117

	STEP 1			STEP 2					
	Allocated Tag Use		Designation 1	Total Tag Use		Non-Alloc. Tag Use	%	Designatio Rounded	
Outfitter	2019	2020	Greater of 2 yrs	2019	2020	Base Alloc. #/Grtr of 2 yrs	Trunc.	Des. 2	Up, if 0.6
A	0	7	7	6	0	6	0.13	3.9	4
B	0	0	0	2	0	2	0.04	1.2	1
C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
E	59	65	65	0	0	0	0	0	0
F	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	0	11	8	11	0.25	7.5	7
H	0	0	0	17	16	17	0.39	11.7	12
I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.02	0.6	1
K	0	11	11	6	0	6	0.13	3.9	4
Totals			87			43.00		28.8	29

Total Designat	Tiebreaker	Γ-break Rnd
Des. 1 + Des. 2	% no trunc.	round
11	0.13953488	11
1	0.04651163	1
0	0	0
4	0	4
65	0	65
0	0	0
7	0.25581395	8
12	0.39534884	12
0	0	0
1	0.02325581	1
15	0.13953488	15
116	1	117

tal Alloc. Tags: 117

Controlled Hunts Deer Crosswalk and Parent Hunts

2021 Controlled Hunts
Outfitter Allocation Deer - Antlered Deer Only

Applicants must have a written agreement with an Outfitter licensed in the hunt area.

Hunt No.	Controlled Hunt Areas	Tags	Season Dates	Notes	2020/2019 Hunt No.	Most Similar Hunt "Parent" If Needed
1144	1-1 ^a (See pg 30)	1	Aug 30 - Dec 1		1148	
1145	11	1	Oct 10 - Nov 3	<i>Mule deer only</i>	1149	
1146	11A	2	Oct 10 - Nov 3	<i>Mule deer only</i>	1150	
1147	13	37	Oct 10 - Nov 3	<i>Mule deer only</i>	1151	
1148	14	22	Oct 10 - Nov 20	<i>Mule deer only</i>	1152	
1149	18	7	Oct 17 - Nov 9	<i>Mule deer only</i>	1153	
1150	18	2	Nov 10 - Nov 30	<i>Mule deer only</i>	1154	
1151	20A	9	Nov 1 - Nov 18		new 2021	1011
1152	21	1	Oct 10 - Nov 30		1155	
1153	21-1 ^a (See pg 30)	1	Aug 15 - Aug 29	<i>Archery only</i>	1156	1074
1154	21A	1	Nov 1 - Nov 30	<i>Muzzleloader only</i>	1157	
1155	22	6	Nov 1 - Nov 24		1158	
1156	26	46	Nov 1 - Nov 18		1159	1016
1157	27	117	Nov 1 - Nov 18		1160	1017
1158	28	1	Oct 10 - Nov 30		1161	
1159	29-1 ^a (See pg 31)	2	Nov 25 - Dec 9	<i>Muzzleloader only, Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106</i>	1162	
1160	33-1 ^a (See pg 31)	1	Nov 10 - Nov 30	<i>Muzzleloader only</i>	1163	
1161	36	1	Sep 1 - Nov 30		1164	
1162	36A	1	Oct 10 - Nov 30	<i>Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106</i>	1165	
1163	36B	1	Oct 10 - Nov 30		1166	

1164	39	1	Aug 15 - Sep 30		1167	
1165	40	5	Nov 1 - Nov 24		1168	
1166	42	1	Nov 1 - Nov 24		1169	
1167	44	1	Sep 15 - Oct 31		1170	
1168	45	1	Aug 15 - Sep 14	Archery <i>only</i> , Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106	1171	
1169	45	2	Oct 15 - Oct 31	See note 2, page 25, Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106	1172	
1170	47	3	Oct 5 - Oct 31	Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106	1173	
1171	50-1 ^b (See pg 31)	1	Oct 10 - Nov 30	Portion of Unit <i>only</i> , Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106	1174	
1172	52	1	Nov 1 - Nov 14	Muzzleloader <i>only</i> Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106	1175	
1173	54	3	Aug 30 - Sep 30	Either Sex, Archery <i>only</i>	New Hunt 2021	1083
1174	54	5	Oct 5 - Oct 31		1176	
1175	54	1	Nov 15 - Nov 30		1177	
1176	55 (See pg 32)	2	Oct 5 - Oct 31		1178	
1177	55-1 ^a (See pg 32)	1	Oct 5 - Oct 31	Youth hunt <i>only</i> , Either sex	1179	

11173	57	2	Oct 5 - Oct 31		1180	
11179	57	1	Nov 1 - Nov 14	<i>Muzzleloader only</i>	1181	
11180	70	1	Aug 30 - Sep 30	<i>Archery only, Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106</i>	1182	
			Oct 10 - Oct 31	<i>Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106</i>		
11181	73	1	Oct 10 - Oct 24		1183	
11182	78	7	Aug 30 - Sep 30	<i>Archery only, Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106</i>	1184	
			Oct 10 - Oct 31	<i>Motorized Hunting Rule Applies, See Pages 104 - 106</i>		

Controlled Hunt Certification Information

From: Susan Knapek <Susan.Knapek@oglb.idaho.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2021 11:33 AM
To: Joan E. Callahan
Subject: Controlled Hunts 2020 and 2019
Attachments: Controlled Hunt 2020.xlsx; Controlled Hunt 2019.xlsx

Hi Joan,

Yellow is new outfitter (unless the amount is also yellow, then it's a new hunt or tag amount), red is closed, and blue let me know that all the certificates came back to me. 😊

Susan Knapek
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CONTROLLED HUNT ALLOCATION -- DEER

CONTROLLED HUNT DEER -2019

						Used Certification		Total
Hunt #	Hunt Area	Total Permits	Outfitter	Lic #	Certification Form #	Hunter Name		Form # Clients
Salmon Region								
1160	27	6	Outfitter A		4291-4296	57 Hunter Names		
1160	27	63	Outfitter E		4305-4367			4305-4361, 4366, 4367 57
			Outfitter I		4186			
1160	27	1				5 Hunter Names		4455-4459 5
1160	27	13	Outfitter K		4455-4467	11 Hunter Names		4605-4615 11
1160	27	11	Outfitter H		4605-4615			
1160	27	12	Outfitter D		4468-4479	8 Hunter Names		
1160	27	11	Outfitter G		4444-4454			4447-4454 8

CONTROLLED HUNT ALLOCATION -- DEER

CONTROLLED HUNT DEER -2020

Hunt #	Hunt Area	Total Permits	Outfitter	Lic #	Certification Form #	Hunter Name	Used Certification Form #	Total Clients
Salmon Region								
1160	27	6	Outfitter A		4741-4746			
1160	27	63	Outfitter E		4757-4819			
1160	27	1	Outfitter I		4750			
1160	27	13	Outfitter K		4909-4921	5 Hunter Names	4909-4911,	
1160	27	11	Outfitter H		5048-5058		4913, 4914	5
1160	27	12	Outfitter D		4922-4933			
1160	27	11	Outfitter G		4898-4908			
		117						5

Idaho Fish and Game

Data of Issued Tags

2019 - 2020

IDFG Data for Tags Issued in 2019-2020 in Outfitted Controlled Hunts

	2019	2020
Hunt Number	Number Issued	Number Issued
1148	1	1
1149	1	1
1150	1	1
1151	30	33
1152	21	22
1153	7	7
1154	2	2
1155	1	1
1157	1	1
1158	6	7
1159	35	39
1160	101	112
1161	1	1
1162	2	3
		1
1164	1	1
1165	1	1
1166	1	1
1167	2	1
1168	5	6
1169	1	1
1170	1	1
1171	1	1
1172	2	2
1173	3	3
1174	1	1
1175	1	1
1176	5	5
1177	1	1
1178	2	2
1179	1	1
1180	2	2
1181	1	1
1182	1	1
1183	1	1
1184	7	7
2196	5	5
2197	15	15
2198	9	9
2199	5	7
2201	3	3
2203	7	7
2204	3	2
2205	2	2
2206	1	2

IDFG Data for Tags Issued in 2019-2020 in Outfitted Controlled Hunts

2207	2	2
2208	3	2
2209	5	5
2210	1	1
2211	1	1
2212	4	4
2213	2	2
2214	3	3
2215	1	1
2216	1	1
2217	9	9
2218	4	4
2219	3	3
2220	1	1
2221	1	1
2222	2	2
2223	2	2
2224	2	1
2225	2	2
2226	13	15
2227	2	2
2228	12	12
2229	2	